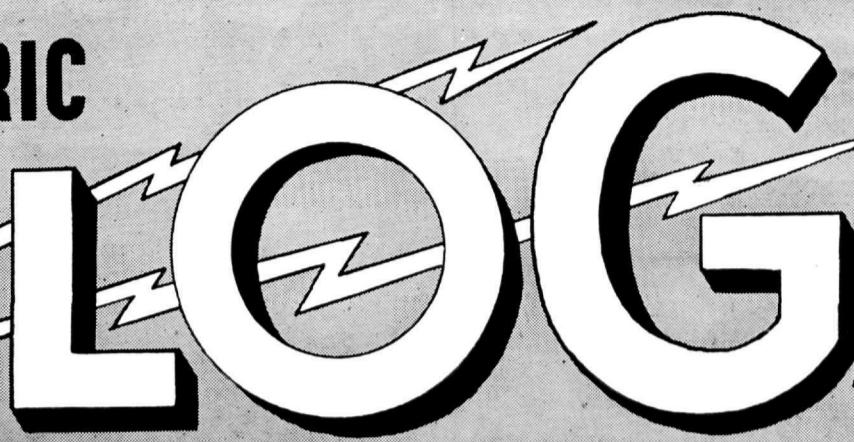
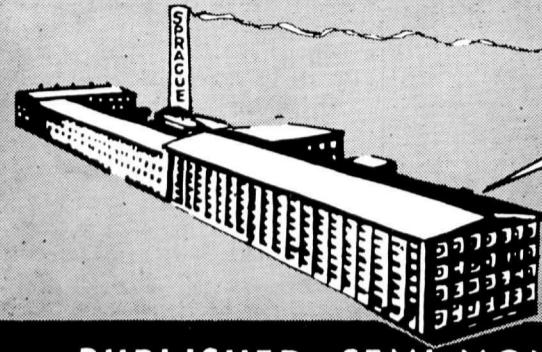


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PARKING PASSES BEING ISSUED FOR BROWN STREET

Passes for the Brown Street parking area now can be obtained from the Personnel Office. These passes may be applied for through your foreman who will fill out an application and forward it to the Personnel Department for you. The parking permits are to be placed on the rear window of your car.

Having passes will greatly facilitate locating people within the plant if it is necessary to have them move their cars. Often an automobile blocks off other cars or the loading area.

NEWS FROM SPRAGUE ELECTRIC EMPLOYEES IN SERVICE

Last month, a letter was received from James Smith, Jr., who is now in the Navy and stationed in Trinidad. When Jimmy was at Sprague Electric, he was a Supervisor in Miscellaneous Dry Rolling-DG 24 Assembly. Jimmy writes that he is in charge of the correspondence section of the Administration Department which handles all of the official and unofficial coming on and going off the base, station orders, memorandums, etc. Recreation facilities on the base are excellent, including bowling alleys, pool tables, a swimming pool, beaches, and an enlisted men's club.

Jimmy's address is:

James Smith, Jr. YNT2
Administration Department
Naval Station, Navy No. 117
c/o FPO, New York, N. Y.

Marian Beazie, a former employee in the F. P. Finish, is now in the WAVES. She would very much like to hear from some of the people here at the Company.

Marion's address is:

Marion Beazie S. R. U. S. N.
900 68 24W
Bldg. 711 Recruit Training (W)
U. S. N. T. C.
Great Lakes, Illinois
Co. 14-51

We have more addresses of boys now in the service who were employed at Sprague Electric. They are always anxious to receive news from home, so if you know them, or work in the department where they were employed, drop them a line, you can be sure it will be appreciated.

Pvt. Raymond Bonneville
1600th ATW Hq. Sq.
Westover AFB
Westover, Massachusetts

Seaman Apprentice Ronald S. Goss
419-88-52
U. S. Naval Hospital Corps School
U. S. Navy Hospital Class 17
Bainbridge, Maryland

Pvt. Joseph LaFrance 1201411
Plt. N. Co.
4th Rec. Training Battalion
Parris Island, South Carolina
Pfc. Donald J. O'Brien AF 11195393
2236th AFRTC
Samford Field
Camp Taylor Sta. P. O. 21
Louisville 13, Kentucky

As the servicemen move from station to station, we receive notification of their change in address. They are printed here for your convenience. Make use of these addresses. A newsy letter from some one at home is always welcome.

Pvt. Robert T. Barbuto 11215592
Hq. Sq. Trg. AF
Waco, Texas

John G. Brooks S-A
U. S. S. Midway C. V. B.-41
S-2 Division
c/o F. P. O. New York, N. Y.
Capt. Victor Harwood 0-1291112
13th Ranger Inf. Co.
Ft. Benning, Georgia

Pvt. Leo J. Lamore
2266 Personnel Proc. Sq.
2225 Per. Proc. Gp.
Fort Dix, New Jersey

Pvt. Ralph Miller U. S. 51014270
419 Eng. Aviation Brigade
Fort Huachuca, Arizona

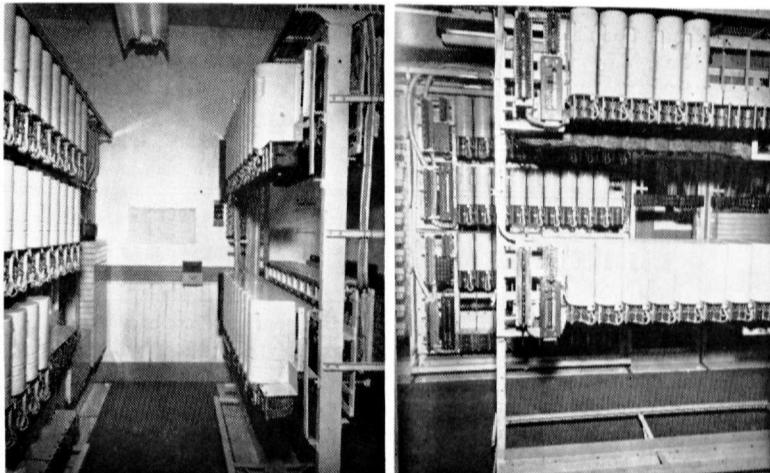
Pvt. William A. Perrault
3415 Tech. Trng. Group
Lawry AFB
Denver, Colorado

Pvt. Omer A. Richard RA 11215887
45 Inf. Div. A. P. O. 86
P. M. San Francisco, Calif.

Pvt. Samuel Unsworth RA 11216247
Co. M, 109th Inf., 28th Div.
Camp Atterbury, Indiana

Robert E. Windover, RDSA
USS Jack W. Wilke
EDE 800
c/o Fleet Post Office
New York, N. Y.

DIAL SYSTEM INSTALLED IN TWO PLANTS



The intricate mechanism pictured above controls the functioning of the dial system.

On Tuesday, July 24, the plugs were pulled out of the switchboard at Marshall Street, and the Marshall and Brown Street plants were automatically on the dial system.

Previous to the installation of the dial system, the switchboard at Marshall Street had been a one-position board. Business on the main operating switchboard at Marshall Street increased so much, however, that one operator could not handle all of the calls. It was necessary to establish a two-position board. In changing to a two-position board, the Company took occasion to install modern equipment and put in the dial system connecting the Marshall and Brown Street plants.

There are numerous tie lines between Brown and Marshall, and Marshall and Beaver, and while at the present the main toll business is handled at the Beaver Street plant, provisions

have been made to transfer it to Marshall Street when the administration building is ready. Night service has been installed in the Marshall Street Gatehouse. It is intended that ultimately Marshall Street will be the headquarters for the main telephone office for the Company.

This dial system requires that those who use it become familiar with the instructions included in the booklet of listings which has been issued. Also, when using the dial system, it is necessary to be accurate in the numbers which you dial. It is believed that as soon as people are familiar with the new installation, it will be a great improvement.

Orders were placed last year by the Company for the new telephone equipment. The receipt and installation of the system took approximately seven months.



Bertha Decoteau and Aileen Mossolani operate the new two-position switchboard which has been installed at Marshall Street.



Jack Washburn conducts a session on Union Agreements as part of the specialized training course. From left to right: Bernard Fitzpatrick, Ernest Jones, Clarence Baker, Richard Cloutier, James Teeple, Leon Beverly, Jack Washburn, Courtney Flanders, Leonard L. Lewitt, Vernon King, Charles Mulcahy, and Arthur Molleur.

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Hints for a Happy Holiday

Vacations can be a hazard — to health and wealth. Pay-check losses due to sunburn alone total nearly 8,000,000 days each summer. Follow these simple rules, and you'll double your fun while you cut the cost.

1. Take it easy. There's more fun to come — don't crowd everything into the first few days.

2. Disinfect minor cuts and scratches immediately. A first aid kit should be part of your equipment.

3. Avoid the unnecessary sunburn that spoils the fun. Sun filters approved by the American Medical Association guarantee a tan and prevent burning.

4. Use sense about swimming. Wait two hours after heavy meals, never go swimming alone.

5. Look before you leap — especially

in the woods and country. Learn to distinguish the poison oak and ivy leaves.

6. Eat moderately. A watchful eye on Junior's candy-and-cone intake will avoid an upset tummy.

7. Drink only tested water—or else boil it.

8. Exercise with discretion. Seventy-two holes of golf on the first day means seventy-two aches and pains on the second.

9. Give your car the once-over before starting out. Be sure to check tires and brakes.

10. Avoid trouble with the Law. See that Dad has his driving license, his fishing or hunting licenses ready to produce on request.

It's your vacation. Enjoy it — don't spoil it!

FAREWELL PARTY

On Thursday evening, July 26, Bertha Decoteau was given a farewell party by the girls from the various offices at the Brown Street plant. A dinner party was held at the County Squire in Cheshire, and Bertha was presented with a corsage of roses and an

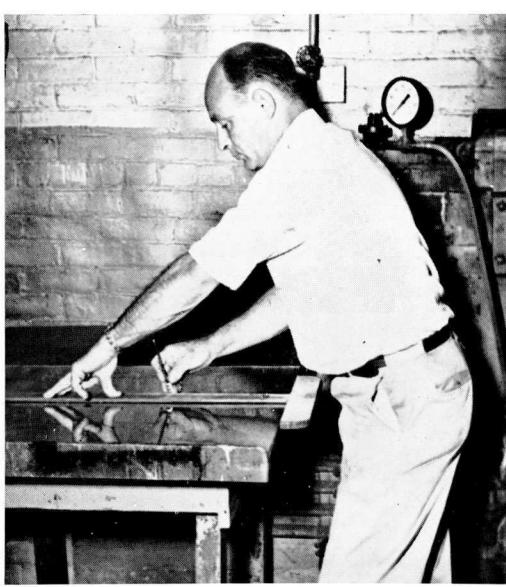
Automatic Toaster. Mrs. Decoteau is now at the Marshall Street switchboard after serving nine faithful years as the telephone operator at Brown Street.

Alice Gomeau and Rita Siciliano were in charge of the affair.



Seated: Miss Ethel Lowe, R.N., Mrs. Bertha Decoteau.
Standing: Mrs. Alice Gomeau, Miss Rita Siciliano.

KNOW YOUR FOREMAN



Peter Jobin, Foreman of General Maintenance-Construction Gang.

Quiet and soft-spoken, Peter Jobin is the man who makes sure that locations are painted and made ready to be occupied by new departments. Mr. Jobin and his seven men do constructing and painting at Brown, Beaver, and Marshall. Pete's current "hot" job is the painting of the new cafeteria at Marshall Street.

Fifteen of Pete's sixteen years at Sprague Electric have been spent as Foreman of General Maintenance-Construction Gang. On first joining the Company, he spent six months working in the Beaver Street Boiler House before moving on to Maintenance.

A sports enthusiast, Mr. Jobin likes to fish for trout and go deer hunting up in Rowe, Massachusetts. He finds his time limited for this sort of activity, however.

The Jobin household in Blackinton includes fifteen-year-old daughter, Margaret Ann, and ten-year-old Peter. Mrs. Jobin, the former Emma Moffitt, was employed in the old Mica Department and also in the F. P.'s.

Previous to coming to Sprague Electric, Pete was employed by the U. S. Gypsum Lime Company and, before that, by the Berkshire Mills. He did not learn his vocation until coming here and spending about five years spraying paint. He has been painting ever since.

Engagements

Mr. and Mrs. John M. Flaherty have announced the engagement of their daughter, Alice Ann, to Pvt. Edward J. Lyons, son of Mrs. Joseph Gamache. Miss Flaherty is employed in Filter Assembly. Pvt. Lyons, who formerly was employed in Dry Tubular Assembly, is now stationed at Camp Chaffee, Arkansas. The wedding will take place in October.

Announcement was made of the engagement of Miss Shirley Sweeney, daughter of Mrs. Tillie Davis, and John Sweeney, to Philip Simon, son of Mrs. Abigail Simon and the late John Simon. Miss Sweeney is employed in Metal



Seated: Ethel Lowe, R.N., Alice Gomeau, Bertha Decoteau, Rita Siciliano, Rose Chilli.
Standing, second row: Mildred Ottman, Laura Hemingway, Gloria Bennett, Lorraine Ciepiela, Stacia Soja, Margaret Petracice, Helen Jobin.
Third row: Elizabeth Hamilton, Evelyn Gageant, Irene Chouinard, Kay Ghidotti, Dorothy Sherman.

Clad Tubular Finish.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Brosseau have announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary Joan Brosseau, to Clarence Maxwell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Maxwell. Miss Brosseau is employed in Metal Clad Tubular Finish and Mr. Maxwell is employed in Paper Ignition Assembly.

Announcement was made of the engagement of Phyllis L. Maynard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren Maynard, to Peter Bafakos, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Bafakos. Miss Maynard is employed in the Small Order Department and Mr. Bafakos is employed in Dry Rolling.

Weddings

Miss Rachel Theresa St. Pierre, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis N. St. Pierre, became the bride of Pvt. Robert Paul Sindermann, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carl S. Sindermann, in the Holy Family church on July 21. The bride is employed in the Dry Rolling Department and Pvt. Sindermann formerly was employed in PAA Section Test Solder.

On July 28, Miss Germaine Helene Perras, daughter of Louis Perras and the late Mrs. Perras, became the bride of Norman Earl Gamache, son of Mrs. Nelson Gamache and the late Mr. Gamache, in St. John Bosco chapel in Stamford. The bride is employed in the Molding Department.

Miss Rachel L. LaVera, daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaVera, and Alfred R. Vicari, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paolo Vicari, were married on July 28 in St. Anthony's church. The bride is employed in Miscellaneous Dry Rolling—DG 24 Assembly.

Births

SON to Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kately on July 21. Mr. Kately is employed in the Central Laboratory.

DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bagdon on July 28. Mr. Bagdon is employed in Research and Engineering.

DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. John H. Gifford on July 28. Mr. Gifford is employed in the Machine Shop.

DAUGHTER to Mr. and Mrs. Donald Cady on July 28. Mrs. Cady is employed in the Molding Department.

SON to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sprowson on July 30. Mrs. Sprowson is employed in Filter Assembly.

DEPARTMENT NEWS

Marshall Street News

Electric Maintenance Test

by E. B. Ryan

Pioneers do not belong to the past alone when men like ED LAMPHIER, accompanied by his young daughter, Linda, will make a 48 mile bicycle trip from his home in Williamstown to Schuylerville, New York. Although much time out was spent resting along the roadside, Ed and Linda enjoyed every minute of it and, with the stamina of youth, Linda was eager and willing to make the return trip. Ed renged, however, and Mrs. Ed came to the rescue with the family chariot. Ed is home a little the worse for wear, but his bike is still in Schuylerville waiting for the day when Ed will again have a "hankering" to cover miles the hard way.

Free advice, cheerfully given has been GEORGE DEGRENIER'S and BILL CHAMPAGNY'S lot since they basked so unwisely in the sun. They have been given more remedies than "Ol' Doc Brady" could use. Wisdom is sometimes a painful lesson to learn but the boys suffered in comparative silence. No more advice and no back slapping, please!

Our flaming youth, DON BRIERLY, has quickly established himself as our sartorial expert and goes Paris style arbitrators one better. Don's latest one sock chartreuse, the other shocking pink. Better get up earlier, Don, and start matching your hose, or are you staging a Dagwood Bumstead act for us?

This is a tribute to the most understanding wife of Electric Test's male population. Hats off to BOB BARDSELEY'S wife who daily puts delicious homemade cake in her husband's lunch, knowing that the girls bribe or steal a share from Bob. Thanks a million, Mrs. B., you would rate A in anyone's kitchen.

Our current vacationers are diversified in their choice of holiday spots. ALICE GREEN contentedly worked about her new home. DOUGLAS PIKE visited New York. CHARLIE LINCOLN is traveling by car to spend a week in Baltimore, Maryland with relatives, then by boat down the Chesapeake Bay to Portsmouth, Virginia for a week of deep-sea fishing. He will return home to Stamford by an inland route. Charlie is accompanied by Mrs. Lincoln and their son, Charles. We hope, Charlie, that the reality of your vacation proves as pleasant as the time spent in anticipating it.

Birthday greetings to JOHNNY ALDRICH who will celebrate the festive occasion on August 11. Many happy returns of the day, Johnny.

Shipping Department

by C. T.

Recent vacationists were CLAIRE MANCINI at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire, MARIE GRANDE at Myrtle Beach, Milford, Connecticut, MAJIB DAVIS in Boston and New York, and FREDERICK GROGAN in Vergennes, Vermont.

ROMA CLOSSEY, ANN TREMBLAY, GERALD CRONIN, DELFINA REGAIOLI, and ANDREW ROSS also enjoyed vacations.

Congratulations to ROSETTA BETOLATTI who received her driver's license recently.

GERALD SULLIVAN and ANTHONY SALTAMARTINI spent a week end at Lake Champlain recently.

They had a narrow escape while fishing from a boat named "Judy".

Welcome to the Shipping Department [ELIZABETH BECKWITH, AGNES BOLUS, and DELFINA REGAIOLI.

Network and Filter

by Mae and Marie

We miss the gang in the KVA Department at Brown Street, but we have a wonderful room to work in here at Marshall Street.

ROZ VINCELETTE, MARY UNIS, MILES HEATH, ELEANOR DESANTY, MARGARET CASEY, MARY FOOTE, and MAE O'NEIL have returned from their vacations and are sunburned and rested. VIRGIE MORIN and HELEN UNIS still are vacationing.

ROZ VINCELETTE still is talking about that fish that got away.

Best wishes to MARGARET CASEY who is now settled in her new home.

Our sympathy is extended to NOELA O'DELL on the recent death in her family.

Dupont Room

by Gladys Kirkpatrick

MAURICE PINKHAM has been nominated "Father of the Year" by his wife's Philathea group. A picnic was held for his benefit at Hedge's Lake on July 25, and Maurice received a large purse of money.

BERTHA LAPAN is back with us again after a vacation spent motoring through New Hampshire and Maine.

GLADYS KIRKPATRICK is vacationing in Pennsylvania and York, Maine.

LUCILLE LEWIS is spending a week at Lake Shaftsbury in Vermont.

HENRY PIPEN had a grand time fishing at Lake Champlain, Burlington, Vermont.

We hear WALTER ESTES had a grand time while on maneuvers at Pine Camp. He was one of the fortunate ones to have his car with him.

GEORGE OLSON takes first prize as an ice cream maker, as our group all found out recently. Let's have some again, soon.

NAOMI REARDON has been doing a lot of shopping lately. We are beginning to think she really is going to England on a vacation trip.

Ceramics

by Ida Gigliotti

I would like to take this opportunity to apologize to the readers of the LOG, especially those who follow our Ceramic Department news, for not having a column for some time. It is gratifying to know that our article has been missed.

The following people have enjoyed their annual vacation:

HELEN GOULD went to New York and enjoyed herself immensely. She had ideal weather, too.

WALLIA ROWE, better known as "Pop", enjoyed himself at Lake Bomoseen.

From all reports, AL GAMACHE enjoyed his vacation very much.

LEO PETERS spent his vacation resting at home. At that time, the marriage of his daughter was exciting enough for him.

HERB FARRELL has returned from his vacation in his usual cheerful frame of mind.

GERRY COYNE spent her vacation at home and places nearby.

FRANK RECNY has left for his vacation at home in Pennsylvania.

MR. WILSON has returned from the Cape sporting a healthy tan and a



Virginia Buda of Ceramics became the bride of Ernest Gregory of the Shipping Department in July.

new yellow shirt which is super. We like it.

VIRGINIA BUDA GREGORY is back from her honeymoon and we are glad to see her. She made a beautiful bride. We had a wonderful time, and FRANK RECNY caught the blue garter. The possessor of the garter will, and it is a fact, be the next groom. We extend our congratulations and best wishes to Frank on his approaching marriage.

The best of luck and happiness to CHUCK REARDON who already is in his new home.

CLARA BOURDON is very happy because she is building a new home. We want to add to her happiness by extending our sincere good wishes for many years of enjoyment.

Battery

by Julia Desrosiers

TILLIE MENDELL is enjoying her vacation touring New York State and Canada. That Yankee team certainly is keeping her happy.

We hope MARIE DUBREUIL and LOUIS POIROT like our department.

EDNA LARSON spent a very nice week end at Centerville on Cape Cod.

We are glad to hear ERVIN BRADLEY is getting over his illness.

Brown Street News

Industrial Oil Final Assembly

by Belle Fuller

We are sorry to lose coworker LEONARD "RED" LEWITT, JR., who enlisted for Army service. Hope you like it, Red.

ALBERT ALLARD, who spent two weeks at Pine Camp, is back to work with a nice tan.

HAROLD GREEN is enjoying his vacation. Hope you have a pleasant one, Harold.

MARY SANTELLI is back with us after enjoying a vacation in Maine.

GERMAINE MOLLEUR is back to work after having a week of vacation.

Resistor Assembly

by Chick and Chuck

CEIL WILK has returned to work after several weeks of illness.

ELOISE KAIGLE has a nice tan. This time she used her backyard to get the sun instead of her sun lamp.

LEROY JOHNDROW spent half of a morning recently telling RALPH LEWIS what nice tomatoes he had for lunch. When lunch period arrived and Ralph was already for a nice tomato, it was discovered that LeRoy had left for work in such a hurry that he forgot to bring the tomatoes.

Everyone seems to be going on or coming from their vacation. It is hard to keep up with them all, but here are a few who have returned. VI GAMARI spent part of her vacation at Watertown, New York. HARRY HADDAD dug clams at Cape Cod. KIT ROEDEL spent some time at Cape Cod. JOE BREWER spent his vacation in the vicinity of the West End. BOB PETITT motored to Atlantic City. HARRY BROWN proudly announced the arrival of his second daughter. Congratulations, Harry.

The Resistor Assembly extends its sincere sympathy to BETTY VIGNA on the loss of her mother recently.

Industrial Oil Stacking

by Mary-Ann

A son was born on July 10 to MR. and MRS. FREDERIC MARCHEGIANI of Williamstown. Lorraine formerly was employed at Marshall Street. Sgt. Frederic Marchegiani worked in the Maintenance Department and is now stationed in Virginia.

DICK CLARKE left us last week for the Air Corps. Good luck, Dick.

MARY SHIELDS, wife of our foreman, JACK SHIELDS, recently was hospitalized. She is now at home. Best wishes from the department.

NOTICE

It would be appreciated if the LOG news was directed to Marshall Street, rather than to the Beaver Street address. This will avoid delay in receiving the news.

MARTHA CLARK has returned home from the hospital. Get well soon, Martha. We all miss you.

Never ask DON COLE the results of the night ball games. He listens to them in his sleep.

ANN HEATH is spending her vacation in New Jersey and on Cape Cod.

DOLLY WILLIAMS' son, Clarence, is spending his furlough at home. He is stationed at Fort Bragg.

A daughter was born to MR. and MRS. STANLEY BAGDON last week. Congratulations!

JIMMY TODD spent his vacation in Boston and at nearby carnivals.

A dinner was held at the 1896 House in honor of MILLY MARCHEGIANI who is leaving us for the Bennington plant. She was presented with a pocketbook and a sum of money. Best of luck, Milly, on your new job.

LOU and ROZ VINCELETTE spent their vacation on Lake Champlain.

DOT PRINGLE is spending her vacation in South Carolina where her son is stationed.

ALVA HURLBURT spent her vacation in Michigan.

PEGGY FALVEY spent her vacation at Niagara Falls, New York.

WINNIE EMERY is enjoying her vacation.

CAZ STRYZPEK spent his vacation in Canada.

PAUL and CEIL BOUCHARD are spending their vacation in Florida.

FRAN KELLEY visited her son, Jim, who is stationed at Samson, New York.

Miscellaneous Resistor Assembly

by Anon

JESSIE FORGEA is looking very rested after her vacation at home.

JEAN LEVY and her husband, Clyde, of Wire Coating, visited and fished at Cape Elizabeth, but as usual the big ones got away.

JULIA SULLIVAN says it is going to be far-away places for her and her pal, Pat, for two weeks.

KAY O'CONNOR is at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire. We hope she is enjoying her new beach umbrella.

JANET JOHNSON expects to go on a motor trip with her family for a week.

LAURA ROY is planning her vacation at Hedge's Lake. Have fun, Laura.

BLANCHE TATRO has a new car and is learning to drive. Be careful, girls.

IRENE O'HERN and her husband celebrated their eleventh wedding anniversary on August 3 and were greeted by friends over station WMNB.

Greetings to BERTHA VAUGHN who is out on leave. We miss you, Bertha, and hope you don't mind the warm weather too much.

DOT SCOVINIA was the guest of honor at a shower recently as she is to be married on August 18. Our best wishes to her.

Industrial Oil Rolling

by Erminia Sweeney

A farewell party was held for MILLIE MARCHEGIANI, our desk clerk, who has been transferred to our Bennington plant. She was given a purse and a jewel set. Best of luck to you, Millie, and you can be sure we are going to miss you.

MARTHA CLARK is home from the hospital. Hurry back, Martha, we miss you.

EVELYN JONES is sporting a nice new red car.

RITA FOURNIER and yours truly attended an auction. We bought things they didn't want, and we didn't need.

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RUBY HUBBARD flew to Michigan on her vacation to attend the wedding of her son at Three Rivers.

Vacation news: LEVA NICOLA went to Montreal and Ontario, IDA MANSON vacationed in Connecticut and Rhode Island, MARGUERITE WALSH went way out to Detroit, Michigan, ALBINA BOUCHARD toured New York State, BERNICE PLANTIER rested at home, and ERMINIA SWEENEY went to Florida. JACK SHIELDS and JOHN SMITH took their vacations, also.

JOHN SMITH hope you like it with us, John.

Wire Coating

by Corena Tatro and Betty Jangrow

Welcome, GERMAINE MINEAU, PHILIP GATTUSO, and DORIS STONE to our department. Hope your stay here with us will be a long and pleasant one.

HELEN BURDICK and PEG DURNEN are on vacation.

EARLE WASHBURN has returned from his vacation. He certainly looks rested. Earl spent his vacation in New Hampshire at Alton Bay.

GERT VOLPI has informed us she now has a driver's license. Watch out for that blue Chevrolet from now on.

Congratulations go to RAY DICK-INSON'S daughter, Stella. He tells us she has joined the service as a student nurse. We think she deserves a lot of credit.

CORENA TATRO'S family soon is to be reunited for the first time in about three years. Her son, Edward, is coming home from the service after spending a long time in Korea. He says there is no place like home and it is wonderful to be an American. The good home cooking will taste good to Ed.

Beaver Street**Upper Offices**

by Flo and Sue

Congratulations to DONALD CADY and his wife, the former BARBARA CARPENTER, on the birth of their daughter, Deborah Jean, on July 28.

Incidentally, BILL CAMPEDELLI has another car, only this one is a new Ford in a nice shade of baby blue. We never know what kind of a car Bill will come to work in next.

We would like to welcome MARY MERANTI and STEVE GILLOOLY to the Product Control Office. Hope you like us.

We have just heard the good news, MIDGE PATENAUME. Now are you going to get your license seeing that you have a new Ford to get it with.

Vacations! Vacations! Vacations!

MARION MATNEY, MARION PINSONNAULT, and SUSAN BISHOP have arrived home from their vacations which were spent at Lake George. By the looks of the three of them, they just didn't get out of the sun for a minute. They are all sporting the most beautiful tans we have seen so far this summer.

CHUCK PARKER and ALEX PETRO spent their vacations at home getting a good rest.

GLORIA MOORS is at the Cape for her vacation, and if we know Glo, she will arrive back at the office with a nice tan also.

IDA FIX went to Wichita for her week of rest.

FRAN BUTLER is on her way to Maine with her husband for a week.

ROBERT SMITH and his wife were the Cape gathering all the sunshine they could get towards a tan.

LILLIAN HOFSEPIAN spent her vacation at home, but she was sick during her time off. Hope you are feeling better, Lillian.

DICK CROSIER and TOM CULLEN also spent their vacations at home.

RAY HUNICKE vacationed in Vermont.

CHARLES RYAN is spending his vacation at home and at his dairy bar in Clarksburg nights.

Filters

by Ginger

Vacations still are going strong in our department. LEO LEMOINE enjoyed his at home and in Boston, MARTHA LEWIS went to Lake George, JANE LANZO and BERTHA ROY rested at home, and MARION KLINE went to Boston. RUTH HASKINS chose Cape Cod and JAMES DILLON visited Maine. FLORENCE SAULNIER went way out to Detroit, Michigan. GERT PEDERCINI'S son was home on furlough so she enjoyed her vacation visiting with him.

Birthday greetings go to RUTH HASKINS.

A hot dog roast was held recently at EDDY RIVERS' camp in Rowe. JOHN DAVIS was the chef. John must have done a good job; I didn't hear anyone complain. We wonder who sewed JERRY COUTU'S socks up. Well, a million thanks to Eddie for the use of his camp.

Good luck to BOB NAGLE on his new job.

You can't begin to appreciate singing until you have heard DICK BRIKE'S melodious voice.

JEAN MERROW is justly proud of her sons who play in the Bennington, Vermont Little League Baseball.

It is nice having RITA KUT back with us again after being out on leave.

Metal Clad (Nights)

By Theresa and Ethel

EDITH NOEL vacationed at Lake Erie with her family and friends.

THERESA STEFANSKI traveled during her vacation.

MARJORIE CAIN is enjoying her vacation in Maryland and Virginia.

GERT FLAHERTY and MARGARET BERGERON enjoyed their vacations at home.

PEARL LUCZYNSKI recently celebrated her birthday.

Welcome back to GERT BOWIEC who has been out sick. It's good having you back, Gert.

DORIS SARTORI wished she had seen the sickle before she walked into it. She received a cut on her leg which required ten stitches to close. Hope it heals up soon, Doris.

Anyone wishing for a good recipe for Italian macaroni and meat balls, ask JOE ROTOLI.

Welcome back to PAT KENYON who has been out on leave. We missed you, Pat.

Hurray for CORINNE BUTTON! She finally got her driver's license.

KAY GRANDE spent her vacation at Coney Island and seeing the Yankees play.

RACHEL GARDNER enjoyed a rest at home.

JANET BORDEN went to Niagara Falls and the Thousand Islands.

Paper Rolling (Nights)

by Fran

YVONNE LEONESIO spent her vacation painting and papering her new apartment. It sounds very attractive, Yvonne.

MAE CORSE also stayed around home and got her nice tan at Windsor Lake.

JOSEPHINE McCARTHY stayed at home, but she came in sporting a new permanent.

MAE ZELBA just rested and caught up on her homework.

EVELYN EURBIN did some school-shopping, and a lot of bullhead fishing. She caught some too.

ALICE DAMI was busy taking a lot of short trips.

PHIL NIMMONS took her family to New Hampshire.

FLO NOWELL started her new

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duties as our Check Inspector and she likes it and is doing fine.

Miscellaneous Paper Finish

by Gert Hall

BETTY FLETCHER and ADELE SOLARI will think I'm trying to get rid of them. They moved into new apartments, not departments.

EDNA CWIERTNIEWICZ took a trip to Cleveland, Ohio recently. Although she enjoyed the trip, we wish it were made under pleasanter circumstances. Edna went to attend the funeral of her uncle.

MARY ALICE FULLER moved to Stamford, Vermont recently, and she tells us she likes living in the country.

Happy vacationers are ADELE SOLARI, EDNA CWIERTNIEWICZ, STEPHANIE SZWICK, LILLIAN HANCOCK, IRENE LETALIAN, HELEN DUBOIS, FRANK MAJOR, and GERT HALL.

ANNA FORTOU visited her uncle in Canada recently.

A group of the girls went to MARY BENSON'S home for dinner, and if we know Mary, they must have had a wonderful meal.

ADELE SOLARI entertained some of the girls by having them up for a spaghetti dinner. It certainly was delicious.

Glad to see JENNIE LAWSON back after her recent illness.

Happy birthday and happy first wedding anniversary greetings to GLORIA AMOS.

Congratulations to MR. and MRS. STANLEY (JOSIE) MASTALIZE on the birth of a baby girl. She has been named Donna Marie. Thanks for the candy, Stan and Josie.

Congratulations to MR. and MRS. GEORGE COSTA on the birth of a son. Thanks for the cigars, George.

VELMA LINCOLN and her family must be enjoying a wonderful trip through the Southern states judging from the beautiful cards we have been receiving.

Bathtub Assembly

by D. Landry

Vacations are still the main topic of discussion with us. Our Foreman, JIM NICOL, is at Hampton Beach. FLORENCE LINDON is at Worcester and we know she will have a fine time. BERTHA JENNINGS is entertaining guests at home. Others who are vacationing are FRANCIS ROY, MARY MESSINA, ALVENA GIFFORD, ALICE PEDERCINI, FLORENCE MARTELL, and ELEANOR WOJICK.

NELLIE CAVANAUGH recently celebrated her thirty-second wedding anniversary. Best wishes to you both, Tom and Nellie.

ILLIAN CRANDALL left for Geneva, New York where she will visit her son, Pvt. Franklin Murray, who is stationed at the Sampson Air Base.

We are sorry to hear FLORENCE CARSON and SOPHIE MICHOLSKI are in the hospital. We hope they will soon recover from their illnesses and come back to us as good as new.

MARY BOURDON is not green with envy; it is just green paint. Mary is painting her house; needless to say it is going to be green.

We welcome YVETTE CANTOIS, DONATA JACOB, KARL BRIGGS, MERTON ROACH, MAUDE SULLIVAN, and MARY SCERBO who have recently joined us.

JANE CIEPIELA left for Ocean Beach where she will spend her two-week vacation. Have a nice time, Janie.

The PRC Assembly has a vacant chair waiting for ANIS O'NEIL.

Good luck to DONALD RACINE who recently left us. We all miss you, Donnie.

OUR SAFETY CORNER**"NO FOOLIN'" — HORSE PLAY CAN CAUSE SERIOUS INJURY****Metal Clad**

by Dot and Jean

Hi, gang! Here are your roving reporters with the latest highlights and happenings.

With CHUCK MULCAHY, STACIA VITTO, MARY LEPPERA, SHIRLEY NORCROSS, NORA CHRISTIE, and ALICE FRENCH back from their respective vacations, the department is beginning to look normal.

HAZEL COSTA prefers the woodlands of Maine for a vacation. Your reporters certainly are jealous.

Everyone is wearing a broad smile these days since DORIS MONNETTE has returned after an extended leave of absence.

Best wishes are extended to MARJORIE BOSHOFF who is going to be married on August 11.

Some additions have been made to our stork list. EDITH TAYLOR, ANGIE SENECA, and BERNADETTE ALLARD are its members.

On our list of newcomers, we have added the names of MARY CELACIK, PETE RONDEAU, and GEORGE FOUNTAIN.

A familiar song which is heard quite frequently lately is "Happy Birthday to You". So, congratulations to ANN JOPPICK, DOT CARDEN, SCOTTY GRAVES, MARJORIE BOSHOFF, and MARTHA CARDILLO.

In case you ever see a girl in Metal Clad holding her ears, she has just had an operation performed. Pierced ears are becoming quite a fashion. Guess who is the M.D.? None other than FRAN FIERRO.

We extend our deepest sympathy to DORIS MONNETTE on the loss of her mother.

We extend our deepest sympathy to JUNE BARNHART on the loss of her father-in-law.

Production Engineering

by Doris Langer

Welcome to TONY PESSOLANO and PAULA RYZWICK who have just joined us.

Recent vacationers were FRED CROSIER, JOE O'BRIEN, FRAN MELITO, EDDIE CATOTTI, and ERNIE MASON.

Last week, we all enjoyed ourselves at Fort Massachusetts where the honored guests were ETHEL PIRELLO and BETTE WORTHINGTON. Ethel is leaving to join her husband in Pittsburgh and Bette is being married on September 15.

BARB CADY, a former coworker, gave birth to a baby girl, Deborah Jean. Best wishes, Barb.

Miscellaneous Paper Assembly

by Marie-Rose LaFlamme

Vacations are still in full swing in our department. IDA FOWLER is enjoying a week at Camp Pickett, Virginia with her daughter, and her son and his family. She then will visit Washington, D. C. and New Jersey. PAT CLERMONT is spending her vacation in New Jersey. FRANCIS MESSINA spent one week at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire and the second week in New York and Boston. ALICE NICHOLS is spending her vacation at Hampton Beach, New Hampshire.

Have you heard the latest? LEONARD GAGNE has become a grandfather, (so he says). His cat had four kittens while he was enjoying his vacation at home. He certainly is proud of her but can't tell us what kind of kittens they are. We are anxious to see pictures of them. What do you say, Len, don't keep them all to yourself.

RUTH HARRIS celebrated her birthday on July 18 and her wedding anniversary on July 29. Congratulations, Ruth.

We extend our sincere sympathy to CHESTER JOHNSON on the death of his sister.

Block Annex

by Della Keating

A speedy recovery to SHIRLEY BOOTH who is in the Adams Hospital.

It is nice having DOT DEMARCO back after her recent illness.

Good luck to PHYLLIS LAPINE in her new home.

The following people are enjoying their vacations: RAYMOND BLAIR-New York, BUNNY PIERCE-Lake Erie, VIOLA DELISLE-Canada, HAZEL MARTEL-Canada, JEAN COOK-New York City, MARIE OLIVER-Bellows Falls, Vermont, CELIA ESPOSITO-Myrtle Beach, Connecticut and the Yankee-Chicago game in New York, JESSICA DZIEGIEL-New York City, DORIS WILIAMS-Lewiston, Maine, EMMA BUSBY-Salisbury Beach, Massachusetts, FLORENCE GOSSELIN-Thousand Islands, Niagara Falls, and Montreal, Canada, HELEN ALIPRANDIE-Canada, JEAN BANCROFT-Springfield, and SUE LABELLE-Maine.

Happy birthday to KENNETH CHEESBRO and JIMMY DEAN.

We extend our sympathy to FLORENCE GOSSELIN on the recent death of her sister, Anna Beaudin.

The Distaff Side

RECIPES



A hot cheese sauce and crisp bacon make the delicious topping for these toastwiches filled with green pepper rings.

MELTED CHEESE TOASTWICHES

If high food prices are making menu planning more difficult for you, here's a suggestion — make sandwiches for low-cost luncheons and suppers.

They go together without any fuss, and at the same time you'll find enriched breads are just about the most economical food you can buy. Besides, sandwiches of all kinds and shapes and sizes are food all America likes.

Melted cheese toastwiches are sandwiches with an inviting summer look. Use almost any desired filling for the golden toast — such as sliced tomatoes, sliced hard cooked eggs, cooked asparagus, or tuna salad. Pour a melted cheese sauce over the top of the sandwich and garnish with a strip of bacon.

The result is "solid" nourishment. Enriched bread supplies protein, three B-vitamins and food iron. Cheese furnishes protein, calcium and vitamin A, and the vegetables or eggs add other essential foods.

Make the cheese sauce by adding grated cheese to a basic white sauce. Another way is to melt process cheese with a little milk in the top of a double

boiler — proportions are $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. process cheese to $\frac{1}{4}$ cup milk.

Serve melted cheese toastwiches with milk or coffee and stewed prunes or prune whip to complete an easy luncheon. Suggest toastwiches as refreshments for teen-age after-theater snacks that go easy on the family larder.

CHERRY BREAD

2½ cups sifted enriched flour

1½ teaspoons salt

2 teaspoons baking powder

½ teaspoon soda

1 cup shortening

1 cup sugar

1 egg

1 cup chopped cherries

1 cup cherry juice or water

1 cup chopped nuts

Sift together flour, salt, baking powder and soda. Cream together shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Add egg, mixing well. Add cherries. Add flour mixture to creamed mixture alternately with cherry juice or water. Add nuts. Bake in greased loaf pan, $4\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ inches, in moderate oven (375° F.) $1\frac{1}{2}$ hours.

Makes 1 loaf, $4\frac{1}{2} \times 8\frac{1}{2}$ inches.

by Joann Deans

Whew! Golly, is it warm...! It is time to stop thinking of and start planning that long-awaited vacation. Whether you are going to Atlantic City, the Cape, or a dude ranch, by train or plane, your wardrobe is all important to you. Once you have decided on your destination, then you can plan the type of wardrobe you will need. And don't think that everything must be brand new. Remember the people you meet will not have seen your clothes before, and you can work your favorites in with the few new clothes you have. Try not to buy the sort of clothes you can never wear again. Buy with the thought in mind that they can be worn the rest of the summer as well as next summer.

Above all, *travel light* — don't bring everything you own. The saddest sight of all is the returning vacationer like a beast of burden under the weight of clothes she never unpacked. The basic necessity for any traveler is a suit. This year's surprise sensation is the rayon suit in styles ranging from the simply tailored classic to ultra feminine type. Rayon suits by Handmacher and Sacoony can be found in all popular textures with the cool comfort of a lightweight durable fabric. Blouses, scarves, pins and gloves will vary this suit. Don't forget to bring your nylon lingerie, blouses, etc. as they can be rinsed out at night and be dry and ready to wear by morning. Put mild soap flakes in a flat manila envelope and they will be easy to pack in your suitcase.

The ever useful and ever feminine soft rayon sheer print is a treasure to have, especially a sleeveless one with a jacket will serve as both a daytime dress and an evening party dress. The new Nemberg sheers obtainable in most North Adams stores are not only easy to pack but a dream to unpack because the wrinkles will hang out.

Be sure to bring an extra skirt with you. In the stores this summer there are crease-resistant linen skirts, colorful cotton skirts and the popular nylon skirts. If you don't have one left over from last year, buy one and match it to your blouse.

FASHION NEWS



Whether you swim like a duck or just bask on the beach, this outfit made with Simplicity Printed Pattern 3250 will come in handy. It is sized for misses and women, 12 to 20, 40, 25c.

An important summer wardrobe ingredient -- the sheath dress -- Simplicity Printed Pattern 8252. It comes in misses' sizes 12 to 20, 50c.

with your extra blouses — you will have 'many more changes than you realize.

When it comes to a bathing suit, you no doubt will have your own ideas on what looks best on you and what type you want so why not try your hand at sewing. It will save you many warm hours in the stores trying them on. Whether you swim like a duck or just bask on the beach, the outfit above made with Simplicity Printed Pattern 3250 would be very flattering and smart — sure to be an eye catcher on the beach. It is sized for misses and women 12 to 20, 40, and the pattern costs only 25c.

If you have any room left in your suitcase after you have packed your slacks, shorts, kleenex and other necessities, it would be a good idea to pack an extra dress just in case... This year's so called "sheath dress" is a dress adaptable to any occasion as well as being very flattering to make. It is an easy dress to make. The

pattern, Simplicity Printed Pattern 8252, comes in misses sizes 12 to 20 and costs only 50c.

For the finishing touches to your vacation wardrobe, don't forget to bring along a cardigan, preferably in a pastel shade, to wear over your dresses on a chilly night. It is easy to pack and so much easier to carry than a summer coat. Oh, by the way, we don't want to put a damper on your vacation but don't forget to bring a rain coat. We hope you won't need it, but just in case a practical one will be bought in an easy-to-pack case.

Now that you are assembled (make out a check list a week ahead of time when you aren't so excited), remember that if you have too much for one small suitcase you will be better off with two small suitcases you can carry than with one large one you can't lift. Porters are not always on the spot. Don't forget your tickets and do have a wonderful time — and maybe I'll see you there!

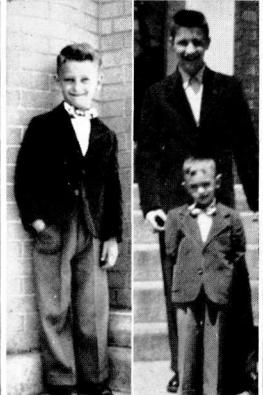
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Marjorie, David, and Cynthia Whitman line up to have their picture taken. Their mother, Jean Whitman, is employed in the Paper Rolling Department on the night shift.



Right:

Gus and Ann Marie Jamallo are the nephew and niece of Elizabeth Sheehan. Elizabeth is employed in Molded Tubulars on the second shift.



Six-year-old Teddy Stasiowski is the son of Antoinette Stasiowski of Metal Clad Tubular Assembly and the nephew of Josephine Lamarré of Metal Clad Tubular Assembly. Thomas, sixteen, and Jimmy, four, are the sons of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Paquin. Their father is employed in Molded Tubular Final Solder and their mother, Teresa, is employed in Bathtub Assembly.

Right:

Daryl Lee Roy won a popularity contest sponsored by the Eastern Star and was crowned King. He won a miniature loving cup, a Mickey Mouse wrist watch, and had his picture taken. The three-year-old youngster's mother, Ethel, is employed in Metal Clad Tubular Finish.



Left:

The cowboy is three-year-old Butch Socha. His mother and father both work at Sprague Electric; Joyce in Metal Clad Tubular Assembly and Brownie in Industrial Oil Impregnation.





Left:

Pvt. William J. Morandi, who formerly was employed in Industrial Oil Impregnation, is now stationed at Fort Hood, Texas. Bill's mother, Yvonne Morandi, is employed in Bathtub Assembly.



Left:

Anita Esposito's daughter, Marie, rests on their front lawn. Anita is a member of the Metal Clad Department.



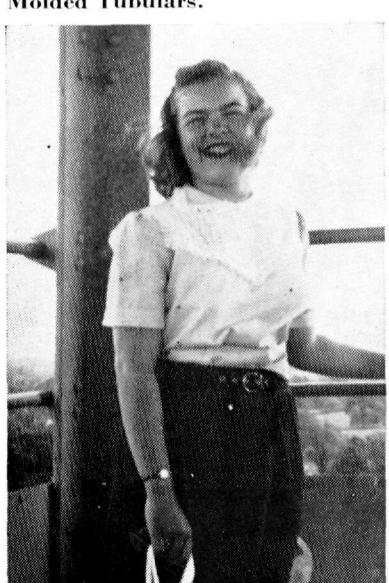
Left:

Sheila Blood visited the Gettysburg Battlefield on her class trip taken in June. She also went to New York and Washington, D. C. Ralph Blood, Sheila's father, is employed in Wire Coating.

Right:



Right:
Richard Miller plays baseball for the ICW No. 2 in the Little League. His mother, Grace, is employed in Molded Tubulars.



Ralph Lewis, Jr. shot this eleven-point buck on the opening day of the 1950 deer season. His father, Ralph, is employed in the Resistor Department and his mother, Lucille, is employed in Miscellaneous Resistor Assembly.

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SPORTS

Kenny Russell

Little League Baseball

The All-Stars, the pick of the Little League players here in the city, were beaten by the Pittsfield Little League players in regional playoffs. However, the little lads from this area were true sportsmen on the field and only a very unusual triple play deprived these spirited youngsters from tying, and maybe winning, this important ball game. WMNB graciously took air-time to present a play-by-play account of the game. Jimmy Urquhart and Bucky Bullet did their usual grand job of describing this first Little League play-off encounter.

The Kiwanis Team is leading in second-half honors at this time. Some mighty fine games have been witnessed by grand crowds each evening. Johnny Allen, catcher for the Kiwanis, is wielding a big bat with six circuit drives to date.

The Adams League is coming along at a rapid clip and a couple of no-hitters have been registered. Adams also was beaten by a team from Pittsfield in a play-off game.

Again we say the citizens of both the Mother Town and North Adams are to be congratulated on the enthusiasm and backing which they have given to both Little Leagues.

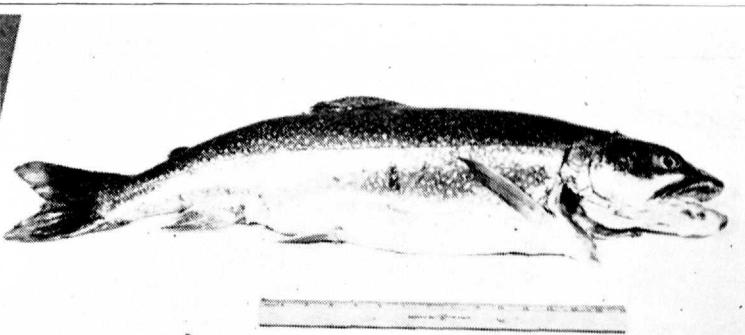
Softball

At this writing, the Corner Cafe softball aggregation has won 26 straight games over opponents throughout the Berkshires. By downing the Adams Merchants, the charges of George "Gook" Benoit have earned the right to defend this area in the State Softball Tournament which will be conducted in Greenfield this year. However, the team voted to forsake the chance for state honors and have sent an entry into the tournament to be conducted in Chicopee. The "Corner" this year has one of the finest teams to be seen locally. We all hope that the coming tourney will be a successful one for this outstanding team. Traditionally, the odds are against them I say this because in years gone by a team from this area with a fine record has found the going tough when they have faced teams from the other end of the state. Maybe it is the brand of ball displayed but this we do know, outside of pitchers like Winston and Perry, imported from Pittsfield, this area does not boast of a single outstanding pitcher, and a good moundsman can spell the difference between a mediocre club and a great one. Good luck, boys, in your coming tourney.

Corner Cafe Softball Averages

Name	ab	r	h	rbi	Av.
Roy.....	78	35	41	38	.525
Girardi.....	64	40	33	15	.512
Rinaldi.....	47	21	24	7	.509
McPherson...	69	25	35	32	.507
Tanner.....	64	33	30	16	.467
Girardi.....	56	22	23	24	.417
Benoit.....	25	9	12	5	.408
Girardi.....	78	33	30	33	.371
Magnifico...	58	12	20	12	.344
Brown.....	59	16	20	13	.339
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TOTAL...	598	246	268	195	.439

LATE FLASH—Corner Cafe wins opening contest in tourney, defeating Springfield A & P, 9-1. Tourney conducted at Sot Park, Chicopee, Massachusetts.



Joe Roberts of Warehouses caught this lake trout in Cressman, Canada. It is 32 inches long and weighs 12 pounds.

Semi-Pro Baseball

The Blue Haven Nine and the Williamstown Legion continue to play winning ball, although the local nine has tasted defeat three times since last we wrote our column. Defeats were suffered at the hands of the Brass Rail of Pittsfield, the Readsboro Hawks, and most recently the Stockbridge Indians. Incidentally, this latter club has won 17 ball games. In the game with the Blue Haven Nine, they won, 7-5, even though they were out-hit. Five costly errors caused the downfall of the locals, and a belated rally in the last inning just misfired with the tying runs on the base paths. Probably by the time this issue is off the press, the series between the Blue Haven and the Williamstown Legion will be started.

Recently, young Charlie Maxwell has broken into the headlines for he has hit three pinch-hit home runs, his latest against the Browns with the sacks loaded.

National League

The Brooklyn Dodgers are making a shamble of the Senior Loop as they sport a 10-game league at this date. The second place New York Giants are dog fighting with the Cardinals and Phillies. None of these runner-ups can make any sizable slice into that big Dodger lead.

Gil Hodges of the Dodgers has slackened off in his bid for new home-run honors, but is still leading both leagues with 31 to date.

The Phillies have surged into the contending first division but are some 14 games off the pace.

Can-American League

The Pittsfield Electric has a dandy team this year and deserve much better home support than they are receiving. Many local fans speak highly of this club and the feeling with certain high club officials is that if the patronage does not zoom for the balance of the season, the Shire City will be left without professional baseball when another season rolls along. So, fans, give this fine club the support it needs and keep professional baseball in the Berkshires.



Major Leagues

American League

The New York Yankees are out in front at this time by the narrow margin of one game over the deadlocked Cleveland Indians and Boston Red Sox. The earlier pace-setters, the Chicago White Sox, have begun to fade in this titanic struggle and are now six full games off the pace to wind up the first division. Detroit, Washington, Philadelphia, and St. Louis round out the second division.

Outstanding for the Yankees has been the fine pitching shown by Raschi, Lopat, and Reynolds. For the Indians, the pitching of Bobby Feller, who is having a great season, and the long-ball hitting of Larry Doby and Al Rosen has been outstanding. The Red Sox can thank their present lofty position to Clyde "Clutch" Vollmer, as he has been recently nicknamed, for the truly amazing stickwork of this outfielder has been nothing short of phenomenal. His big bat has won at least a half dozen big games and his circuit drives have been most opportune.



Tennis

With the installation by the city of North Adams of a beautiful tennis court at Noel Field, the local tennis fans will have more of an opportunity to get out and play. This new court has a red clay finish and cost about \$2500.



Silvio Volpi had good luck the day he caught these trout. Silvio is employed in Wire Coating on the night shift.